dicke, God giue me patience.

Leonato She doth indeed, my daughter saies so, and the extasie hath so much ouerborne her, that my daughter is sometime afeard shee will doe a desperate out-rage to her selfe, it is very true.

Prince It were good that Benedicke knew of it by some other, if she will not discouer it.

Claudio To what end? he would make but a sport of it, and torment the poore Lady worse.

Prince And he should, it were an almes to hang him, shees an excellent sweete lady, and (out of all suspition,) she is vertuous.

Claudio And she is exceeding wise.

Prince In euery thing but in louing Benedicke.

Leonato O my Lord, wisedome and blood combating in so tender a body, we haue ten proofes to one, that blood hath the victory, I am sory for her, as I haue iust cause, beeing her vncle, and her gardian.

Prince I would shee had bestowed this dotage on mee, I would haue daft all other respects, and made her halfe my self: I pray you tell Benedicke of it, and heare what a will say.

Leonato Were it good thinke you?

Claudio Hero thinkes surely she will die, for she sayes shee will die, if he loue her not, and shee will die ere shee make her loue knowne, and she will die if he wooe her, rather than shee will bate one breath of her accustomed crosnesse.

Prince She doth well, if shee shoulde make tender of her loue, tis very possible heele scorne it, for the man (as you know all) hath a contemptible spirite.

Claudio He is a very proper man.

Prince He hath indeede a good outward happines.

Claudio Before God, and in my mind, very wise.

Prince Hee dooth indeede shew some sparkes that are like wit.

Claudio And I take him to be valiant.

Prince As Hector, I assure you, and in the mannaging of quarrels you may say he is wise, for either hee auoydes them with

with great discretion, or vnd
anlike feare.

Leonato If he do feare G
if hee breake the peace, hee
feare and trembling.

Prince And so will hee
howsoeuer it seemes not in h
make: well I am sory for yo
dicke, and tell him of her lou

Claudio Neuer tell him,
good counsell.

Leonato Nay thats impo
out first.

Prince Well, we will he
let it coole the while, I loue
he would modestly examin
vnworthy so good a lady.

Leonato My lord, will y

Claudio If he do not doat
trust my expectation.

Prince Let there be the
must your daughter and he
will be, when they holde on
and no such matter, thats t
wil be meerely a dumbe she
dinner.

Benedicke This can be n
borne, they haue the trueth
pittie the Lady: it seemes h
loue me? why it must be requ
they say I will beare my selfe
come from her: they say to
anie signe of affection: I d
not seeme prowd, happy are
and can put them to mendi
trueth, I can beare them wit
not reproue it, and wise, bu